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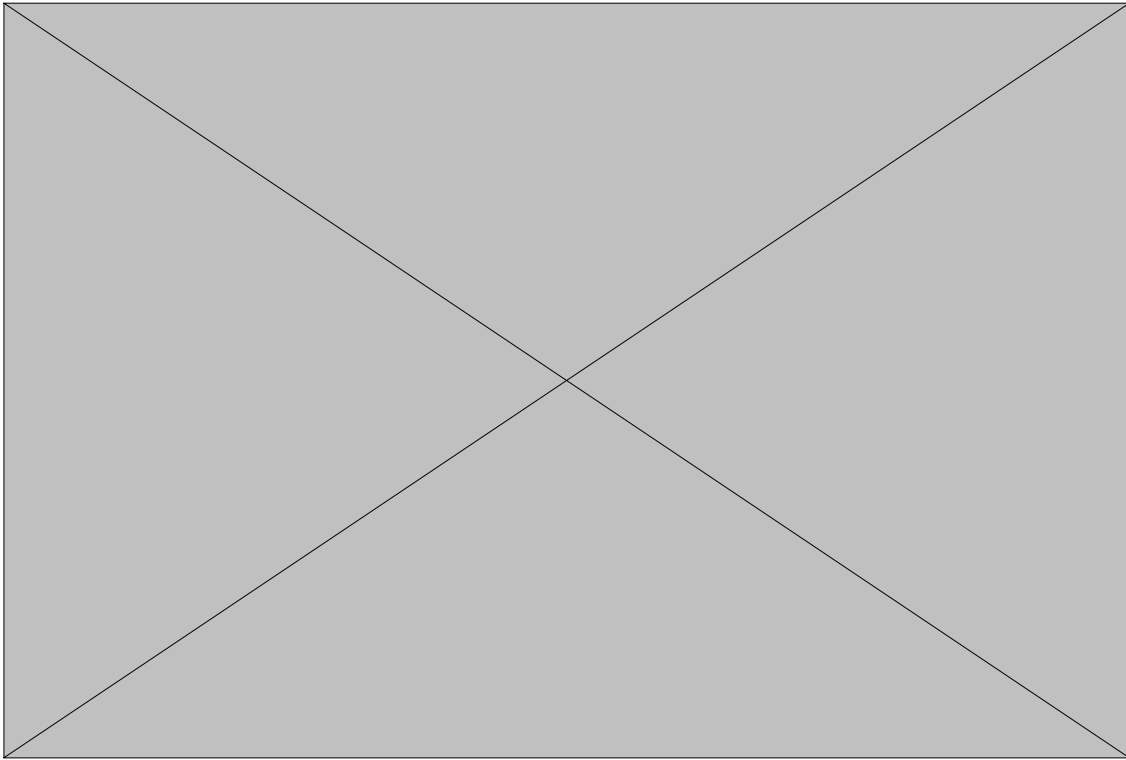


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It is with heavy hearts we are reading reports that **President Trump intends to drastically reduce the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument**. This decision is entirely out of step with the American public, who during the comment period supported monuments and the Grand Staircase-Escalante 9:1. Early this week, ***The Salt Lake Tribune*** reported that over half of Utahns polled do not support a reduction of the Grand Staircase-Escalante.

Grand Staircase Escalante Partners are working alongside Grand Staircase champions all across the country to prepare for bold action should the President attempt such an unprecedented attack on one of America's most cherished national monuments. Just yesterday, the *LA Times* published a beautiful and compelling article discussing the significance of the scientific contributions emerging from the Grand Staircase-Escalante. Take a look to see why the American people demand continued protection for this precious landscape.

<http://www.latimes.com/nation/la-na-pol-trump-national-monuments-20171026-htmlstory.html>

Public lands like the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument are our best legacy for a hopeful future, and Partners is prepared to continue to lead the charge to ensure it is protected in perpetuity, but **we'll need your help, and we are asking all**

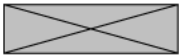
**of you to become Monument Monitors, by downloading the ARCGIS Grand Staircase Escalante Partners app:** You can find the easy-to-follow instructions for downloading this app [here](#).

As you continue to hike and enjoy the Grand Staircase-Escalante, you can use this app to help us monitor for vandalism, new roads, or the presence of extractive industry. The information you collect will help populate a database that can be used in multiple ways to help us monitor concerning activity.

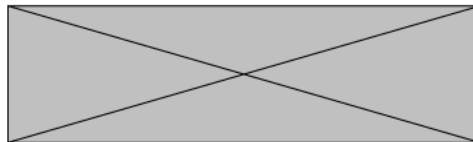
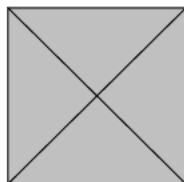
As events unfold over the coming days and weeks, Partners will continue to keep you updated. Thank you for your continued support.

**Together, we will save Grand Staircase-Escalante.**

Sincerely,



Nicole Croft,  
Executive Director



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